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Applicant: Bodnar et al.
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Edgewater, New Jersey 07020
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application filed concurrently herewith, please amend the following:

In the Claims:

Please enter the following amended claims:

3. (Amended) A microemulsion as claimed in claim 1 comprising from 40 to 97 wt% oil.
17. (Amended) A microemulsion as claimed in claim 15 wherein the cosurfactant is selected from the group consisting of alcohols, acids, esters and mixtures thereof.
22. (Amended) A food product comprising a microemulsion as claimed in claim 1.

REMARKS

The present amendment is submitted to eliminate multiple dependencies and to correct minor typographical errors. The amendments were not intended to and should not be construed to have been made for any reasons related to patentability of the claims.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attachment is captioned "Version with Markings to Show Changes Made".

Respectfully submitted,



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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

3. (Amended) A microemulsion as claimed in claim 1 ~~or 2~~ comprising from 40 to 97 wt% oil.

17. (Amended) A microemulsion as claimed in claim 15 ~~or claim 16~~ wherein the cosurfactant is selected from the group consisting of alcohols, acids, esters and mixtures thereof.

22. (Amended) A food product comprising a microemulsion as claimed in ~~any~~ claim 1.